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Mr. Walter R. Butler, Chief
Licensing Branch No. 2
Division of Licensing
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Butler:

River Bend Station - Unit 1
Docket No. 50-458

Gulf States Utilities is providing the following information as requested by your staff. The Operating License Application for River Bend, filed in April 1981, requested that the operating license be effective for 40 years from the date of the issuance of that license. The design criteria of River Bend Station includes consideration of a 40 year life for both the NSSS and BOP scopes of supply. Further, in support of this application, the safety and environmental analyses were appropriately based on the issuance of a 40 year license. Therefore, issuance of a 40 year operating license will not pose any unanalyzed safety concerns.

Sincerely,

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